Indians residing in Fiji, Mauritus etc.

2804. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian nationals residing in Fiji, Mauritius, Australia, New Zealand and Philippines.

(b) The number of Indian nationals who have acquired the nationality of these countries; and

(c) the number of nationals of these countries who are residing in India till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a)

(a) *Country*	*No. of Indian nationals*
Fiji	320
Mauritius	712
Australia	12,137
New Zealand	800
Phillipines	10,000 approx.

(b) The number of Indian nationls who have acquired the nationality of Austrialia, New Zealand and Phillipines respectively is 26,987, 14,200 and 2,000.

The nubmer of persons of Indian origin who have acquired the nationality of Mauritius and Fiji are respectively 700,000 and 339,000

(c) These figures are not readily available.

Cases of public grievances

2805. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of public grievances, other than grievances on pensions, received by the Ministry of 1986 and till now;

(b) whether any action has been taken thereon; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which the cases of public grievances are removed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances received a total of 9760 grievances till 1986 and a total of 9760 grievances during Jan.—Oct. 1987. Information was not kept separately for cases, excluding pension cases, in 1988. However, for 1987 a separate codification has been attempted on the computer. Even there the classification is not watertight as some cases get classified as State matters for action by States/Union Territories.

(b) and (c) Most of the grievances so received are sent to the concerned Ministries/Departments/States for appropriate action and the petitioners informed accordingly. However some grievances are selected for pursuing till their logical conclusion. During the period Jan. '86—Oct '87, 1391 cases were selected for monitoring. Of these, 727 are settled, leaving a balance 664 as still pending. The remaining 17456 cases were sent to the concerned Ministries/Departments/State Governments for necessary action.

Licences for Manufacture of Colour TV Sets

2806. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the companies which have been given licences to manufacture colour TV sets at present; and

(b) what is the number of colour TV sets manufactured by these companies during the years 1985, 1986 and 1987 till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY ELECTRONICS

SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) The names of the companies which have been given licences to manufacture colour TV sets and number of TV sets manufactured by these companies during the year 1985, 1986 and 1987 till date are given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLIV, Annexure No. 123.]

2807. [*Transferred to the 7th December, 1987.*]

Death of a Sq. Ldr. and a Fl. Lt. in Aircarsh

2808. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Sq Ldr. and a Fl. Lt. were killed in an IAF trainee aircraft crash near Narsapur in Medak District in the last four months;

(b) whether it is also a fact that an IAF fighter plane crashed near Samund, 40 Kms from Jodhpur during the same period; and

(c) whether any court of enquiry has been ordered into the above crashes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

Non Proliferation Treaty with Pakistan

2809. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a lot of pressure has been exercised by out side powers to induce Indian Government to sign the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty with Pakistan in recent days;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) the details of the Indian position in this regard with particular reference to the disarmament agreement between super powers that took place recently and the approach of other smaller nuclear powers like Pakistan, China, France, Israel, South Africa, Argentina, Brazil etc. towards this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) The United States of America has recently reiterated its earlier suggestion that India should sign the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)

(c) India is opposed to the NPT which is discriminatory in nature. As regards the recent agreement between the two super powers on the question of Intermediate Nuclear Forces (INF), India has welcomed it as a first step towards the goal of complete elimination of nuclear weapons.

The INF Agreement has been welcomed by most countries.

Advanced Light Helicopter

2810. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the progress in the programme of manufacturing Advanced Light Helicopters;

(b) when is the production of this helicopter likely to commence; and

(c) whether Westland is associated in any way with the production of the ALH?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) After the completion of milestones of Priliminary Design Configuration Freeze Critical Components Design and Definition of Long Lead Items, the Detail Design of basic Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) as well as of its various systems is in progress.

(b) The production of ALH is likely to commence in the early 1990s.